**Singleton District Library Association**

**Term 2 Meeting**

**Venue**: Singleton Heights Public School

**Date:** 25/05/17

**Time:** 3:45 – 5:00pm

**Attendance:**

Rob Stewart – Singleton Public Library

Martin Gray - Singleton High School

Sally McTaggart – Singleton High School

Benita Van Der Wel – Singleton Public School

Robert Parsons - St Catherine's College

Jenna Barwick – Singleton Heights Public School

**Apologies:**

Marjorie Maxwell – Kirkton Public School

Rose Neal – Muswellbrook PS

**Minutes**

**MANTLE discussion**

* Good presenters   
  Held at NEX  
  Maker Space, 3D printing appearing
* Library Learning Path (Information Process Model)
* One Note for programming a great resource for sharing
* Microsoft Education Community
* Lessons of a Lac – Good anxiety program
* Librarian position is uncertain at times with Local Schools Local Decisions
* Name of a library – should it be labelled a HUB?
* E-books – are they taking off? Not as much as predicted. Device access can impair this. Kids seem to prefer books. HVG cutting e-books.

**Best bibliography writing/ referencing style to use (Benita)**

* APA style is best to go with according to High School.
* In-built referencing in Word is good; Google Docs not as good.

**NSS 2017**

* Activities at lunch and recess at school – puppet shows, mask making.
* Activities at the Town Library.

**Town Library – Rob**

* Book Week performances – book your school in asap
* Robotics sessions – feedback is that kids just want to build robots and drive them free form
* Anime Manga group once a month on a Saturday lead by a community member – play films.
* Reading with Children handout
* Distance Education student survey
* Singleton Festival – good turn-out for author Peter Fitzsimons.
* Started Tech Savvy Seniors program
* Organising library by genre libraries – do stats go up? Have people gone back? Potential survey for librarians (Martin interested)

**OLIVER**

* Searching functions are not predictive enough
* Reporting functions do not allow for borrower frequency (just amount of books) – not very good for doing primary school academic reporting.
* Periodicals are difficult to catalogue.

**Five Minute Fictions idea (Benita)**

* Students are given a book and have five minutes to sample their chosen book and must be able to share to the class the author, illustrator and genre etc. and go on to write/ share a review. Great for circulating books.

**Book Week – Escape to everywhere – theme ideas / dress up ideas**

* Not discussed other than Town Library shows (see above).

**6 packs of books**

* Benita Viewed the 6 packs of high interest fiction and non-fiction books that Jenna has at the heights - great for reading groups/ literacy circles in classrooms. Steering away from typical class sets with work sheets. Discussion based resources to instil a love of reading.



**Class sets**

* Class sets to be collated for each school and added to a central list for TLs to access and share among schools (Jenna and Benita will start this).

**Term 3 and Term 4 meetings**

* Term 3: Sharon Muir will host and show around the Tafe Library
* Term 4: RSL meeting